



## Week at a Glance: January 13 - 17

### Monday, January 13

- No events

### Tuesday, January 14

- Homework Club (8:15 am)
- Crochet Club (12:25 pm)

### Wednesday, January 15

- Black Excellence Day

### Thursday, January 16

- No events

### Friday, January 17

- Homework Club (8:15 am)
- Hot Lunch - Subway/Booster Juice

## Upcoming Dates:

- Jan 24 - Hot lunch (Sushi)
- Jan 29 - Lunar New Year

- Jan 31 - Hot lunch (Pizza/TCBY)

## Intention of the Week:



## Information & Updates:

# BLACK EXCELLENCE DAY

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Black Excellence Day held Wednesday, January 15th, is a day to celebrate Black history and learn more about Black stories, art, and people leading up to February Black History Month. This day honours civil rights leader, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., whose birthday was January 15, 1929. Did you know about these [historic Black Canadians](#)?

Click [HERE](#) to learn more about this important day!



## **BEGINNING BAND FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR**

We are excited to announce that Larson has the opportunity to offer Beginning Band for next year. Registration is open on January 13 for students in grades 5-7. Please note that the ability to offer a program at Ecole Larson is contingent on several factors:

- Enrolment - The Band and Strings program operates on a cost-recovery basis, meaning it is funded directly by registration fees.
- Staffing - Within the NVSD, equity within our schools is a priority. To ensure all schools receive programming, those requesting a second program may not be granted both Band and Strings, regardless of enrollment.
- Physical Space and Scheduling - Each school must have the physical space and scheduling capacity.

This registration process will include Beginning Band only at Larson. Details of this wonderful program, including the ability to register, can be found on the [Elementary Band and Strings' webpage](#).

Click [HERE](#) for more information.



## ORCA BOARD

When students demonstrate the Orca Values; Kindness, Compassion, Protection, and Intelligence, teachers and staff like to encourage good behavior by offering an "Orca Slip". Students will come to the office to share why they received it and it will go up on our Orca Wall. Once the wall is full, students will get an extra recess. This is a fun motivator for students and they are very proud to share why they received their orca slip.

Over the fall months, students earned a total of 3 extra recesses! Our board is full once again and we have a pile waiting to be put up.

**Your hard work and commitment to these values does not go unnoticed. Well done, students!**



## CROCHET CLUB

Mme. Bridget is once again bringing back the Crochet Club for 2025! Do you have a passion for crocheting? Are you eager to help some wonderful young people learn and master a new skill? **We need your help!** If you are available, please consider coming to help out the crochet club every other Tuesday at 12:25 pm for approx. 20 minutes. Email [barnold@sd44.ca](mailto:barnold@sd44.ca) to sign up. We appreciate your support.

**Thank you, Mme. Bridget, for helping facilitate this fun activity for students!**



## Celebrating Student Learning:



1 - Artwork from Division F05 (Mme. Arnold)



2 - Artwork from Division E06 (Mr. Brown)



3 - Artwork from Division F07 (Mme. Louisy-Daniel/Mme. Greiff)



4 - Artwork from Division F03 (Mme. Stachowiak)



5 - Artwork from Division F09 (Mme. Robitaille/Mme. Cynthia)



6 - Artwork from Division F12 (Mme. Swain)

## Reminders:



7 - Click [HERE](#) to see the forecast for North Vancouver.

## DRESSING FOR THE WEATHER

As we head into winter, please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the school day. This may include gloves, toques, warm jackets, and for snowy days, snowsuits and good footwear. Not only does this keep students happy but also prevents calls home to parents for warmer clothes which can be distractions for the classrooms. We ask that all students have a change of clothing available, even the intermediate students.

**Thank you for your help in keeping students happy and warm this winter!**

Click [HERE](#) for more information from the NVSD.



#### **SCHOOL SAFETY**

For the safety and security of all students, we kindly request that parents **do not** wander the school premises. If you need to see your child, or if you are here to pick up or drop off your child during school hours, please report directly to the school office where our staff will assist you. **Please remember to sign-in or sign-out your child in the white Student Sign-in/out Binder at the office before you leave.**

**Thank you for your cooperation!**



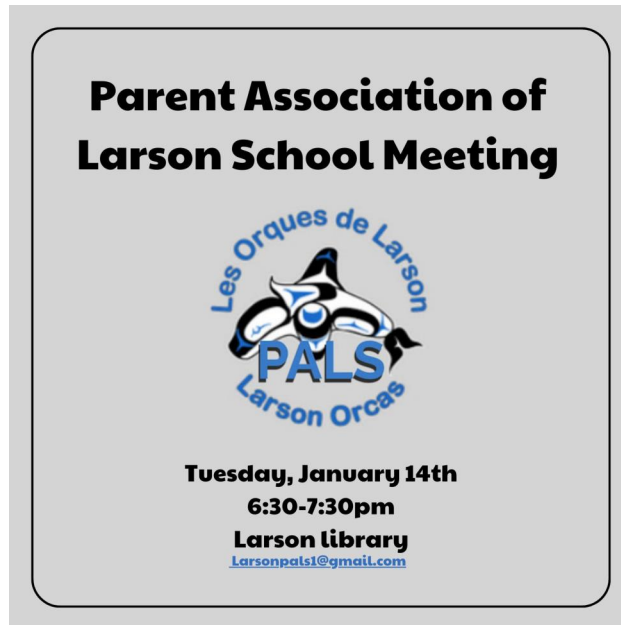
#### TRAFFIC SAFETY REMINDER

- Drivers are reminded to obey all traffic signage.
- Please **do not stop** in “No Stopping” zones. This means, no dropping off in these zones. Drop off / Pick up areas are intended for brief stops only.
- **Do not park** and leave your car for any reason in these zones.
- Please do not enter the staff parking lot to pick up / drop off students.
- We would also ask that drivers respect our neighbours and refrain from parking in ways that block access to driveways.

Click [HERE](#) for the Larson Safe Walking Routes map!



## Message from PALS:



### PALS MEETING NEXT WEEK!!

- Parent Association of Larson School meeting
- Tuesday, January 14th, 6:30-7:30pm
- In the Larson Library
- All are welcome to join!!



### TWO RIVERS MEAT FUNDRAISER IS COMING SOON!

- Start Date: Monday, January 13
- Duration: 6 weeks
- End Date: Sunday, February 23, at midnight

- Pick-Up: March 10-14 (Monday-Friday) at the offices next to the retail store



Support our  
Fundraiser

TRU EARTH

### TRU EARTH ECO FRIENDLY PRODUCTS - AN ONGOING FUNDRAISER

- Click [HERE](#) to shop!
- BC based company. Lots of products to choose from!
- Laundry detergent, dryer balls, cleaners, natural dishcloths, straws, beeswax items and more!
- **20% of all proceeds will fund Larson programs via PALS**



### HELP KEEP OUR STUDENTS SAFE!!

We're looking for a **Traffic Safety Coordinator** to support Larson PALS in addressing traffic and safety concerns around the school. This flexible, low-time commitment role is ideal for a parent working from home. No prior experience is needed—training and support will be provided by the PALS Executive Team.

**Key Responsibilities:**

- Develop and implement a traffic safety plan with the PALS team.
- Coordinate and manage parent volunteers for safety initiatives.
- Support activities like "Bike to School Week" and maintain traffic signage.
- Communicate with the City, District, and school administration on safety issues.

**Time Commitment:**

- Flexible, about 1-2 hours per month, with some additional time for key events

**Why Join?**

- Make a meaningful impact on student safety.
- Work with a supportive team and contribute to active transportation initiatives.

**Interested? Email us at [Larsonpals1@gmail.com](mailto:Larsonpals1@gmail.com) to learn more or volunteer!**

